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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: ADSORBENTS MADE OF STYRENE  
POLYMERS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS Please amend the claims as shown on the marked-up copy following this amendment to read as follows.

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5. (Amended) The adsorbent, which is produced as claimed in claim 2 [or 3], wherein removing the organic compound is performed by evaporation under reduced pressure.

6. (Amended) The adsorbent, which is produced as claimed in claim 2 [or 3], wherein the organic compound is an aromatic compound.